

Dear Rodrigo Franzao,

Congratulations! On behalf of the Board of Directors of DIFFA Chicago and the *Art For Life Chicago 2024* committee, we are excited to inform you that our nationally renowned jurors highly ranked your submission of **Dreaming of you** that will be included in the *Art for Life Chicago 2024* Exhibition and Auction to be held on Thursday, October 24, 2024, at The Mart.

With nearly 200 entries from around the world, we were thrilled with the level of interest in supporting this event that is now in its eighth year. The artists selected to participate are exceptional in their creative expression and will provide a diverse array of art to our supporters. We are grateful to the nationally recognized art experts who judged all the entries. This jury consisted of **Amy Kartheiser**, *Principal, Amy Kartheiser Design* and **Peter Gahan**, *Curator and owner*, *Detroit Art Specialists*.

To confirm, if you submitted multiple pieces, the following was selected for this year's *Art For Life Chicago* Exhibition and Auction – **Dreaming of you.**

Next Steps for Winning Artists

Please read the following information carefully as some deadlines require your immediate attention.

Art Drop Off: September 18 - October 18, 2024

We cannot auction off any art without having it in our possession. The artist, or an artist's representative, must deliver the requested **hang-ready art** either in-person or via a delivery service, by the dates listed above. Art may be delivered or sent to:

Cadogan Tate Fine Art 322 N. Leavitt St. Chicago, IL 60612 Attn: AFLC 2024 If you are delivering in-person, the hours that you may deliver are Monday – Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Please try to give about 24-hour notice via text to Oliver at 630.430.0844, so that they are prepared to meet you.

Please contact AFLC Chair Darren Jones, <u>djones3716@hotmail.com</u>, if you have any questions or concerns with meeting this delivery timeframe. If you do not live in the greater Chicagoland area, please be sure to make arrangements to have your work delivered within the above timeframe.

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As we prepare for the upcoming gallery exhibit, auction platform and our live event, further instructions and information will be distributed including promotional pieces for you to share with your colleagues and collectors. If you are not already following Art For Life Chicago on Instagram, please follow. Should you have any questions leading up to the event, please contact us at <u>events@diffachicago.org</u> or 312.644.6412.

Thursday, October 24, 2024 – AFLC Live Event & Auction

Please plan to attend and invite your friends and collectors to join us as well! As a winning artist, you will receive *one complimentary ticket* that gives you VIP access starting at 5:00 p.m. and the general event that starts at 5:30 p.m. Please RSVP at <u>admin@diffachicago.org</u> so that your name will be added to our VIP Guest List. The event will be held from 5:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. in the South Lobby at The Mart, 222 Merchandise Mart Plaza, Chicago.

Please encourage friends and family to join us. \$100 Early Bird Tickets are in limited supply, and then the cost goes up to \$125! They may buy tickets via this link - <u>https://e.givesmart.com/events/CzL/</u>

Celebrate Your Success and Spread the Word

Look for an announcement on DIFFA Chicago's Instagram account announcing all our winners. <u>https://www.instagram.com/artforlifechicago/</u>

We are very excited about this year's event, and we thank you for joining us as we expand our outreach investing in the creative talents of artists from around the world. Together, through the art and design community, we continue our mission of raising funds to Get To Zero Illinois and help those who are most impacted by HIV/AIDS.

Most Sincerely,

Darren Jones, Oliver Aguilar & Kim Winzeler Co-Chairs Art For Life Chicago 2024